AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method to operate a wireless data communications system, comprising:

receiving at a device a multicast message flow comprising content and a flow identification;

determining at the device a type of multicast content from multicast identification information that comprises a part of the flow identification; and

passing the flow to an appropriate content processing entity within the device.

- 2. (Original) A method as in claim 1, further comprising sending a request from the device to obtain information about a multicast program from a content server.
- 3. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where the multicast identification information comprises security information associated with the content.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, where further comprising the device receiving from a content server sends a list of multicast flows as part of the multicast identification information.
- 5. (Original) A method as in claim 1, further comprising selecting a multicast program based on the multicast identification information via a user interface of the device.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, further comprising the device selectively requesting from a content server descriptive information regarding a multicast content flow.

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- 7. (Original) A method as in claim 6, where the requested descriptive information concerns an update of at least one of firmware and application data.
- 8. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where the multicast identification information is represented using one of Extended Markup Language (XML), or Synchronization Markup Language (SyncML), for transmission over-the-air (OTA).
- 9. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where multicast identification information associated with different multicast flows is represented in a tree-like structure associated with a management framework.
- 10. (Original) A method as in claim 9, where the management framework comprises an Open Mobile Alliance (OMA) Device Management framework.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus comprising a wireless transceiver coupled to a memory storing a program and a controller that operates under control of [[a]] the stored program to receive a multicast message flow comprising content and a flow identification; to determine a type of multicast content from multicast identification information that comprises a part of the flow identification; and to pass the flow to an appropriate content processing entity in the apparatus.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 11, said controller further operable further comprising a wireless transceiver configured to send a request to obtain information about a multicast program from a content server.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 11, where the multicast identification information comprises security information associated with the content.
- 14. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 11, where said controller is further operable further comprising a wireless transceiver configured to receive a list of multicast flows from a content server as part of the multicast identification information.

- 15. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 11, further comprising a user interface, and where said controller is further operable configured to select a multicast program based on the multicast identification information in accordance with an input received from said user interface.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 11, where said controller is further operable further comprising a wireless transceiver configured to selectively request from a content server descriptive information regarding a multicast content flow.
- 17. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 16, where the requested descriptive information concerns an update of at least one of firmware and application data.
- 18. (Currently Amended) A mobile-host An apparatus as in claim 11, where the multicast identification information is represented using one of Extended Markup Language (XML), or Synchronization Markup Language (SyncML), for transmission over-the-air (OTA) to said mobile host.
- 19. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 11, where multicast identification information associated with different multicast flows is represented in a treelike structure associated with a management framework.
- 20. (Currently Amended) A mobile host An apparatus as in claim 19, where the management framework comprises an Open Mobile Alliance (OMA) Device Management framework.
- 21. (Currently Amended) A-mobile host An apparatus as in claim 11, where said multicast identification information is represented as a data structure and where said controller is operable configured to parse said data structure to retrieve flow-related information therefrom, said data structure comprising fields that include a type identification field specifying a flow type; a provider identification field for identifying a provider of firmware; a vendor identification for identifying a vendor of firmware; and an application

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identification field for identifying an application in the mobile host apparatus that uses the content delivered in the flow.

- 22. (Currently Amended) A multicast content server coupled to a plurality of mobile hosts via at least one wireless network, said server operable to send a multicast message flow comprising content and a flow identification towards said plurality of mobile hosts, said flow identification comprising multicast identification information represented as a data structure comprising fields that include a type identification field specifying a <u>multicast</u> flow type; a provider identification field for identifying a provider of firmware; a vendor identification for identifying a vendor of firmware; and an application identification field for identifying an application in each of the plurality of mobile hosts that uses the content delivered in the flow.
- 23. (Original) A multicast content server as in claim 22, where the multicast identification information is represented using one of Extended Markup Language (XML), or Synchronization Markup Language (SyncML), for transmission over-the-air (OTA) to said plurality of mobile hosts.
- 24. (Original) A multicast content server as in claim 22, where multicast identification information associated with different multicast flows is represented in a tree-like structure associated with a management framework.
- 25. (Original) A multicast content server as in claim 24, where the management framework comprises an Open Mobile Alliance (OMA) Device Management framework.
- 26. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer readable memory storing a</u> data structure for the management of a multicast flow having content to a plurality of mobile hosts, said data structure comprising a type identification field specifying a <u>multicast</u> flow type; a provider identification field for identifying a provider of firmware; a vendor identification for identifying a vendor of firmware; and an application identification field for identifying an application in the mobile host that uses the content delivered in the <u>multicast</u> flow.
- 27. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer readable memory storing the</u> data structure as in claim 26, where said data structure is represented using one of Extended Markup Language

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(XML), or Synchronization Markup Language (SyncML), for transmission over-the-air (OTA) to said plurality of mobile hosts.

28. (Currently Amended) A computer readable memory storing the data structure as in claim 26, where said data structure forms a part of multicast identification information, and where multicast identification information associated with different multicast flows is represented in a tree-like structure associated with a management framework.

29. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer readable memory storing the</u> data structure as in claim 28, where the management framework comprises an Open Mobile Alliance (OMA) Device Management framework.